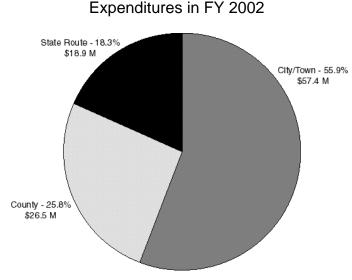


## **Overview of Small City Programs**

## Mission

The TIB funds high priority transportation projects in communities throughout the state to enhance the movement of people, goods and services.

The Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) invests state gas tax funds in local communities through six grant programs serving cities, urban counties and transportation benefit districts in Washington State. The TIB identifies and funds the highest-ranking transportation projects based on criteria established by the Board consistent with legislative intent for each program. TIB staff provide customer service and grant administration throughout the project life.



## How TIB small city programs work:

- Administers the Small City Program, the City Hardship Assistance Program, the small city portion of the Pedestrian Safety and Mobility Program, and the NewStreets for Small Cities demonstration Program.
- Small City programs are available to cities and towns with a population that does not exceed 5,000.
- Dedicated funding was established by the Legislature in 1995.
- TIB small city grant programs receive approximately \$10-12 million a year for new project starts.
- Biennial expenditures for small city programs are \$20 - \$24 million.
- Projects are selected competitively using technical criteria to establish an annual priority array.
- In the Board's recent FY 2004
   Call for Projects, 33 new projects were funded out of 189 submitted. These 33 projects represent a financial commitment of \$6.8 million.

## 2001-03 Program Levels

